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THE LOUISIANA ECONOMIC SITUATION

Total nonagricultural employment in Louisiana during May was estimated at 1,622,600, an increase of 2,500 employees from the April revised level and 21,800 above the May, 1990 figure.

Goods producing employment, estimated at 336,100, was 100 above the April figure. Mining employment was lower due to a drop in the exploration for oil and gas. Construction employment was higher in each segment of the industry. Less business in the transportation equipment segment was mainly responsible for the drop in manufacturing employment.

Employment in the service producing sector was estimated at 1,286,500 for May, an increase of 2,400 from the April estimate. Transportation, communications, and public utilities experienced a decrease in employment as a result of less activity at the state's ports. Trade employment rose due to increases in both the wholesale and retail segments. Increases in real estate was responsible for the gain in finance, insurance, and real estate employment. Among the segments most instrumental in the higher payroll level exhibited for services in May were hotels and other lodging places, amusement and recreation, health, and social services. Seasonal reductions at state colleges and universities resulted in lower employment in government.

Average weekly earnings of Louisiana's 133,700 production workers in manufacturing increased from $492.40 in April to $505.13 in May, an increase of $12.73, and an increase of $5.90 from April of last year. Average hourly earnings were $0.36 higher in May than April, and $0.19 higher than May a year ago. Average weekly hours for May were 42.2, an increase of 0.4 hours from the April revised level of 41.8 hours.

The May preliminary unemployment rate for Louisiana was 7.1 percent, an increase from the April revised rate of 6.4 percent. The average unemployment rate for the last three months (March, April, May) was 6.6 percent compared to 6.0 percent for the same period last year.

The comparable national unemployment rate for May was 6.6 percent. The national rate for April was 6.5 percent.

Total unemployment increased to 135,300. It is not unusual for unemployment to increase at this time of the year.

The state's civilian labor force decreased to 1,897,700 with a decrease in total employment to 1,762,400.

LOUISIANA
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
(In Thousands by Industry)

	May 1991*	Apr. 1991**	May 1990**	Net Change From Apr. 1991	Net Change From May 1990
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	1622.6	1620.1	1600.8	+ 2.5	+21.8
GOODS PRODUCING	336.1	336.0	329.9	+ 0.1	+ 6.2
MINING	55.8	56.0	55.1	- 0.2	+ 0.7
Oil and Gas Extraction	54.0	54.2	53.3	- 0.2	+ 0.7
Nonmetallic Minerals	1.8	1.8	1.8	0	0
CONSTRUCTION	96.6	95.7	92.4	+ 0.9	+ 4.2
General Contractors	20.1	19.8	18.3	+ 0.3	+ 1.8
Heavy Construction, ex. Bldg.	38.8	38.6	37.6	+ 0.2	+ 1.2
Special Trade Contractors	37.7	37.3	36.5	+ 0.4	+ 1.2
MANUFACTURING	183.7	184.3	182.4	- 0.6	+ 1.3
Durable Goods	81.7	82.3	81.0	- 0.6	+ 0.7
Lumber and Wood Products	12.4	12.5	12.5	- 0.1	- 0.1
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	5.2	5.1	5.4	+ 0.1	- 0.2
Primary Metal Industries	2.9	3.0	3.0	- 0.1	- 0.1
Fabricated Metal Products	14.3	14.3	13.8	0	+ 0.5
Machinery, Except Electrical	12.1	11.9	11.5	+ 0.2	+ 0.6
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	6.7	6.7	6.6	0	+ 0.1
Transportation Equipment	24.5	25.1	24.5	- 0.6	0
Other Durable Goods (1)	3.6	3.7	3.7	- 0.1	- 0.1
Nondurable Goods	102.0	102.0	101.4	0	+ 0.6
Food & Kindred Products	21.0	20.7	20.4	+ 0.3	+ 0.6
Apparel & Other Textile Products	10.3	10.5	11.3	- 0.2	- 1.0
Paper & Allied Products	12.3	12.2	12.3	+ 0.1	0
Printing & Publishing	10.1	10.0	10.0	+ 0.1	+ 0.1
Chemicals & Allied Products	29.9	30.2	29.2	- 0.3	+ 0.7
Inorganic Chemicals	6.0	6.1	5.8	- 0.1	+ 0.2
Organic Chemicals	11.0	11.1	10.7	- 0.1	+ 0.3
Petroleum and Coal Products	11.8	11.8	11.3	0	+ 0.5
Petroleum Refining	10.9	10.9	10.4	0	+ 0.5
Other Nondurable Goods (2)	6.6	6.6	6.9	0	- 0.3
SERVICE PRODUCING	1286.5	1284.1	1270.9	+ 2.4	+15.6
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	111.1	110.5	110.4	+ 0.6	+ 0.7
Railroad Transportation	4.8	4.8	4.8	0	0
Transportation, ex. Railroads	67.0	66.6	65.9	+ 0.4	+ 1.1
Water Transportation	27.4	26.8	26.7	+ 0.6	+ 0.7
Communications & Public Utilities	39.3	39.1	39.7	+ 0.2	- 0.4
Comm., ex. US Postal Service	16.8	16.7	17.3	+ 0.1	- 0.5
Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	22.5	22.4	22.4	+ 0.1	+ 0.1

LOUISIANA - CONTINUED
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
(In Thousands by Industry)

	May 1991*	Apr. 1991**	May 1990**	Net Change From Apr. 1991	Net Change From May 1990
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	376.0	375.0	369.7	+ 1.0	+ 6.3
Wholesale Trade	87.0	86.4	85.7	+ 0.6	+ 1.3
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	47.5	47.4	47.1	+ 0.1	+ 0.4
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	39.5	39.0	38.6	+ 0.5	+ 0.9
Retail Trade	289.0	288.6	284.0	+ 0.4	+ 5.0
Bldg. Mat'ls. & Garden Supplies	10.0	10.0	10.0	0	0
General Merchandise	41.1	40.4	39.9	+ 0.7	+ 1.2
Food Stores	56.6	57.1	56.4	- 0.5	+ 0.2
Auto Dealers & Service Stations	30.4	30.3	30.7	+ 0.1	- 0.3
Apparel and Accessory	16.0	16.1	16.0	- 0.1	0
Furniture and Equipment	9.6	9.5	9.2	+ 0.1	+ 0.4
Eating and Drinking Places	93.5	93.5	91.4	0	+ 2.1
Other Retail Trade	31.8	31.7	30.4	+ 0.1	+ 1.4
FINANCE, INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE	79.3	79.1	78.5	+ 0.2	+ 0.8
Banking	29.4	29.4	29.6	0	- 0.2
Insurance	27.0	27.0	26.2	0	+ 0.8
SERVICES	382.5	381.3	375.2	+ 1.2	+ 7.3
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	22.3	21.9	22.6	+ 0.4	- 0.3
Personal Services	14.1	14.2	13.8	- 0.1	+ 0.3
Business Services	63.0	63.8	63.0	- 0.8	0
Auto Repair, Services & Garages	11.5	11.5	11.3	0	+ 0.2
Miscellaneous Repair Services	7.9	7.9	7.8	0	+ 0.1
Amusement & Recreation Services	12.7	11.7	13.0	+ 1.0	- 0.3
Health Services	120.1	119.5	115.9	+ 0.6	+ 4.2
Hospitals	53.4	53.0	51.2	+ 0.4	+ 2.2
Legal Services	16.2	16.0	16.2	+ 0.2	0
Educational Services	26.4	26.7	25.5	- 0.3	+ 0.9
Social Services	22.7	22.4	21.6	+ 0.3	+ 1.1
Membership Organizations	27.3	27.2	26.1	+ 0.1	+ 1.2
Eng., Acct. and Related Services	28.7	28.9	29.0	- 0.2	- 0.3
Miscellaneous Services	5.2	5.2	4.7	0	+ 0.5
GOVERNMENT	337.6	338.2	337.1	- 0.6	+ 0.5
Federal	38.5	38.3	44.1	+ 0.2	- 5.6
State and Local	299.1	299.9	293.0	- 0.8	+ 6.1
State	106.2	107.1	103.0	- 0.9	+ 3.2
Local	192.9	192.8	190.0	+ 0.1	+ 2.9

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(1) Includes furniture and fixtures, professional equipment and misc. manufacturing industries.

(2) Includes leather, rubber and textile products.

All estimates of nonagricultural wage and salaried workers in this publication are prepared in cooperation with U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics and include all full-time and part-time workers who were employed during the pay period including the 12th of the month.

AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING AND SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN LOUISIANA

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	May '91*	Apr. '91**	May '90**	May '91*	Apr. '91**	May '90**	May '91*	Apr. '91**	May '90**
ALL MANUFACTURING (1)	505.13	492.40	499.23	42.2	41.8	43.0	11.97	11.78	11.61
Durable Goods	437.40	434.77	449.44	40.5	40.9	42.4	10.80	10.63	10.60
Lumber & Wood Products	362.18	389.66	391.17	39.8	42.4	44.3	9.10	9.19	8.83
Stone, Clay, & Glass Pdts.	401.81	397.88	421.89	37.8	37.5	41.0	10.63	10.61	10.29
Fabricated Metal Products	436.72	420.58	417.22	42.4	41.6	42.4	10.30	10.11	9.84
Machinery, ex. Electrical	443.55	432.72	426.61	43.4	43.1	44.3	10.22	10.04	9.63
Electric & Electronic Equip.	595.21	552.52	667.49	38.7	38.0	43.4	15.38	14.54	15.38
Transportation Equipment	452.34	461.28	468.22	39.3	39.8	41.0	11.51	11.59	11.42
Nondurable Goods	565.92	544.43	542.45	43.7	42.6	43.5	12.95	12.78	12.47
Food & Kindred Products	334.94	333.30	323.59	40.5	40.4	41.7	8.27	8.25	7.76
Apparel & Other Textile Pdts.	229.01	210.60	211.84	36.7	34.3	37.1	6.24	6.14	5.71
Paper & Allied Products	644.36	628.70	634.74	44.5	44.4	44.7	14.48	14.16	14.20
Printing & Publishing	417.85	421.86	407.86	38.3	39.5	37.8	10.91	10.68	10.79
Chemicals & Allied Pdts.	782.57	751.18	771.74	47.4	46.0	47.0	16.51	16.33	16.42
Petroleum & Coal Products	927.50	865.66	862.48	51.3	47.8	48.7	18.08	18.11	17.71
Petroleum Refining	952.75	884.71	881.82	51.5	47.9	48.8	18.50	18.47	18.07
MINING	590.46	606.94	573.21	44.8	45.6	47.1	13.18	13.31	12.17
COMMUNICATIONS & PUBLIC UTILITIES	539.92	534.23	527.10	41.5	41.9	41.9	13.01	12.75	12.58
BANKING	286.08	281.09	296.94	38.4	36.6	40.4	7.45	7.68	7.35

(1) Data in the average earnings table are for approximately **133,700** full-time and part-time workers in manufacturing and **93,600** nonsupervisory employees in communications, public utilities, mining and banking. The averages are computed on a "Gross" basis and reflect overtime, late shift work and incentive rates.

BATON ROUGE AREA
AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	May '91*	Apr. '91**	May '90**	May '91*	Apr. '91**	May '90**	May '91*	Apr. '91**	May '90**
ALL MANUFACTURING (1)	603.42	609.24	586.28	44.5	44.6	43.3	13.56	13.66	13.54
Chemicals and Petro. Products	797.07	789.68	790.28	48.9	47.4	46.0	16.30	16.66	17.18

(1)Data in the average earnings table are for approximately 15,000 production workers and are computed on a "Gross" basis and reflect overtime, late shift work and incentive rates.

NEW ORLEANS AREA
AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

ALL MANUFACTURING (1)	475.78	459.61	470.68	41.3	41.0	42.1	11.52	11.21	11.18
Durable Goods	394.35	394.42	411.45	39.2	39.8	40.9	10.06	9.91	10.06
Stone, Clay, & Glass Pdts.	338.40	355.12	426.61	36.0	37.9	44.3	9.40	9.37	9.63
Fabricated Metal Products	411.45	423.12	370.93	40.9	41.2	40.1	10.06	10.27	9.25
Ship & Boatbld'g. and Repair	346.51	357.55	389.30	37.1	38.2	40.3	9.34	9.36	9.66
Nondurable Goods	565.92	531.70	535.56	43.7	42.4	43.4	12.95	12.54	12.34
Food & Kindred Products	361.50	359.63	346.28	41.6	41.1	40.5	8.69	8.75	8.55
Apparel & Other Textile Pdts.	134.44	131.67	220.63	24.4	23.1	35.7	5.51	5.70	6.18
Printing & Publishing	395.85	409.17	394.13	40.6	42.8	39.1	9.75	9.56	10.08
Chemicals & Allied Pdts.	851.70	773.50	795.70	50.1	47.6	49.3	17.00	16.25	16.14

(1)Data in the average earnings table are for approximately 31,800 production workers and are computed on a "Gross" basis and reflect overtime, late shift work and incentive rates.

SHREVEPORT AREA
AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

ALL MANUFACTURING (1)	533.45	520.58	460.32	40.2	39.8	41.1	13.27	13.08	11.20
Lumber and Wood Products	289.18	280.86	358.90	38.0	36.1	44.2	7.61	7.78	8.12
Food and Kindred Products	343.88	305.14	241.82	44.2	41.8	32.9	7.78	7.30	7.35
Printing and Publishing	348.50	382.80	372.78	34.1	40.0	36.8	10.22	9.57	10.13
Chemicals & Allied Products	642.17	606.84	632.35	46.5	42.2	45.2	13.81	14.38	13.99

(1)Data in the average earnings table are for approximately 12,800 production workers and are computed on a "Gross" basis and reflect overtime, late shift work and incentive rates.

LOUISIANA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE SUMMARY

(in thousands)	PRELIMINARY MAY, 1991				REVISED APRIL, 1991				REVISED MAY, 1990			
	LABOR FORCE	EMPL.	UNEMP.	RATE	LABOR FORCE	EMPL.	UNEMP.	RATE	LABOR FORCE	EMPL.	UNEMP.	RATE
LOUISIANA	1897.7	1762.4	135.3	7.1	1915.5	1793.6	121.9	6.4	1888.5	1774.7	113.8	6.0
METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS:												
Alexandria 1/	57.9	53.8	4.1	7.0	58.5	54.8	3.7	6.3	57.5	54.0	3.5	6.1
Baton Rouge 2/	272.4	254.4	18.0	6.6	275.5	260.0	15.5	5.6	271.2	257.1	14.1	5.2
Houma - Thibodaux 3/	71.4	66.8	4.6	6.4	71.3	67.3	4.0	5.6	69.6	65.9	3.7	5.2
Lafayette 4/	107.0	101.3	5.7	5.4	108.2	103.2	5.0	4.7	104.4	99.7	4.7	4.5
Lake Charles 5/	79.9	73.8	6.1	7.6	81.1	75.7	5.4	6.6	79.3	74.5	4.8	6.0
Monroe 6/	67.9	63.5	4.4	6.5	68.9	64.8	4.1	6.0	69.3	65.7	3.6	5.3
New Orleans 7/	580.9	545.8	35.1	6.0	586.9	555.0	31.9	5.4	579.1	545.8	33.3	5.7
Shreveport 8/	153.1	142.7	10.4	6.8	155.2	145.1	10.1	6.5	154.7	144.6	10.1	6.5

1/ Rapides Parish only. 2/ Includes Ascension, East Baton Rouge, Livingston, and West Baton Rouge parishes. 3/ Includes Lafourche and Terrebonne parishes. 4/ Includes Lafayette and St. Martin parishes. 5/ Calcasieu Parish only. 6/ Ouachita Parish only. 7/ Includes Jefferson, Orleans, St. Bernard, St. Tammany, St. Charles and St. John the Baptist parishes. 8/ Includes Bossier and Caddo parishes.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

The Consumer Price Index, sometimes called the "Cost of Living Index", is a monthly measure of the average change in prices in a fixed quantity of goods and services.

ALL URBAN CONSUMERS	INDEX	% CHANGE FROM PRIOR MONTH	% CHANGE FROM PRIOR YEAR
May 1990	129.2		
May 1991	135.6	+ 0.3	+ 5.0

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, OTHER AREAS

AREA	PRELIMINARY MAY 91 LABOR FORCE	EMPL	UNEMP	RATE	REVISED APRIL 91 LABOR FORCE	EMPL	UNEMP	RATE
CROWLEY (ACADIA)	21,575	19,900	1,675	7.8	21,625	20,075	1,550	7.1
OAKDALE (ALLEN)	9,850	8,900	950	9.7	9,975	9,000	975	9.9
NAPOLEONVILLE (ASSUMPTION)	6,425	5,750	675	10.6	6,475	5,850	625	9.7
BUNKIE (AVOYELLES)	16,325	14,225	2,100	12.9	16,475	14,550	1,925	11.7
DERIDDER (BEAUREGARD)	13,350	12,450	900	6.7	13,700	12,800	900	6.5
ARCADIA (BIENVILLE)	6,850	6,225	625	9.1	7,000	6,375	625	8.8
COLUMBIA (CALDWELL)	4,350	3,775	575	13.3	4,225	3,750	475	11.2
CAMERON (CAMERON)	4,550	4,375	175	4.1	4,625	4,425	200	4.4
JONESVILLE (CATAHOULA)	3,650	3,125	525	14.1	3,525	3,075	450	12.6
HOMER (CLAIBORNE)	7,325	6,775	550	7.5	7,375	6,900	475	6.4
FERRIDAY (CONCORDIA)	9,500	8,100	1,400	14.6	9,400	8,175	1,225	13.0
MANSFIELD (DESOTO)	11,175	9,975	1,200	10.7	11,325	10,300	1,025	9.0
LAKE PROVIDENCE (E. CARROLL)	3,525	2,900	625	17.7	3,475	2,875	600	17.0
CLINTON (EAST FELICIANA)	7,100	6,575	525	7.5	6,975	6,550	425	6.2
VILLE PLATTE(EVANGELINE)	13,800	12,650	1,150	8.4	13,900	12,900	1,000	7.3
WINNSBORO (FRANKLIN)	8,975	7,900	1,075	12.0	8,975	8,025	950	10.6
COLFAX (GRANT)	7,150	6,450	700	9.8	7,475	6,850	625	8.4
NEW IBERIA (IBERIA)	26,750	24,875	1,875	7.0	26,900	25,300	1,600	5.9
PLAQUEMINE (IBERVILLE)	11,425	10,150	1,275	11.2	11,600	10,400	1,200	10.4
JONESBORO (JACKSON)	6,200	5,775	425	7.0	6,175	5,800	375	6.0
JENNINGS (JEFFERSON DAVIS)	11,025	10,075	950	8.7	11,100	10,225	875	8.0
JENA (LASALLE)	5,950	5,325	625	10.5	5,975	5,475	500	8.4
RUSTON (LINCOLN)	18,150	17,300	850	4.7	18,300	17,650	650	3.5
TALLULAH (MADISON)	5,400	4,700	700	13.0	5,525	4,875	650	11.6
BASTROP (MOREHOUSE)	12,825	11,575	1,250	9.8	12,950	11,675	1,275	9.8
NATCHITOCHES (NATCHITOCHES)	15,425	14,100	1,325	8.6	15,275	14,100	1,175	7.7
POINT-A-LA-HACHE (PLAQUM.)	8,350	7,800	550	6.5	8,375	7,825	550	6.6
NEW ROADS (POINTE COUPEE)	6,925	5,950	975	14.2	6,800	6,025	775	11.4
COUSHATTA (RED RIVER)	4,100	3,475	625	15.3	4,050	3,725	325	7.7
RAYVILLE (RICHLAND)	8,125	7,150	975	12.1	7,950	7,025	925	11.6
MANY (SABINE)	10,150	9,425	725	7.3	10,275	9,650	625	6.0
GREENSBURG (ST. HELENA)	2,800	2,500	300	11.1	2,550	2,350	200	8.3
LUTCHER (ST. JAMES)	9,525	8,650	875	9.1	9,650	8,975	675	7.1
OPELOUSAS (ST. LANDRY)	30,325	27,275	3,050	10.1	30,775	28,150	2,625	8.5
MORGAN CITY (ST. MARY)	23,975	22,175	1,800	7.5	24,200	22,600	1,600	6.6
HAMMOND (TANGIPAHOA)	37,400	33,775	3,625	9.7	37,025	33,825	3,200	8.7
ST. JOSEPH (TENSAS)	2,350	2,150	200	8.8	2,325	2,125	200	8.2
FARMERVILLE (UNION)	8,250	7,500	750	9.0	8,250	7,550	700	8.6
ABBEVILLE (VERMILION)	18,000	16,625	1,375	7.6	18,200	16,850	1,350	7.4
LEESVILLE (VERNON)	18,125	16,800	1,325	7.3	18,600	17,400	1,200	6.4
BOGALUSA (WASHINGTON)	16,800	15,200	1,600	9.6	17,150	15,625	1,525	8.9
MINDEN (WEBSTER)	18,575	16,900	1,675	9.0	18,525	16,875	1,650	8.8
OAK GROVE (WEST CARROLL)	4,750	3,700	1,050	22.2	4,775	3,725	1,050	22.0
ST. FRANCISVILLE (W. FELIC.)	4,050	3,775	275	6.7	4,050	3,825	225	5.6
WINNFIELD (WINN)	6,000	5,550	450	7.7	6,050	5,600	450	7.6

NOTE: LABOR MARKET AREAS ARE DESIGNATED BY NAME OF PRINCIPAL TOWN, BUT INCLUDE ALL OF PARISH IN PARENTHESES.

ABOVE DATA ROUNDED TO NEAREST 25. SUBTOTALS MAY NOT ADD TO TOTALS DUE TO ROUNDING. RATES ARE COMPUTED FROM UNROUNDED DATA.

ALEXANDRIA AREA
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
(In Thousands by Industry)

	May 1991*	Apr. 1991**	May 1990**	Net Change From Apr. 1991	Net Change From May 1990
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	46.9	46.9	46.5	0	+ 0.4
GOODS PRODUCING	6.7	6.8	6.5	- 0.1	+ 0.2
MINING	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0
CONSTRUCTION	3.4	3.4	3.0	0	+ 0.4
MANUFACTURING	3.2	3.3	3.4	- 0.1	- 0.2
Durable Goods	1.8	1.9	2.0	- 0.1	- 0.2
Nondurable Goods	1.4	1.4	1.4	0	0
SERVICE PRODUCING	40.2	40.1	40.0	+ 0.1	+ 0.2
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	2.3	2.3	2.4	0	- 0.1
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	10.4	10.3	10.5	+ 0.1	- 0.1
Wholesale Trade	1.9	1.9	1.9	0	0
Retail Trade	8.5	8.4	8.6	+ 0.1	- 0.1
FINANCE, INS. & REAL ESTATE	2.0	2.0	2.1	0	- 0.1
SERVICES	12.3	12.3	12.2	0	+ 0.1
Health Services	5.4	5.3	5.2	+ 0.1	+ 0.2
GOVERNMENT	13.2	13.2	12.8	0	+ 0.4
Federal	2.9	2.9	2.9	0	0
State and Local	10.3	10.3	9.9	0	+ 0.4
State	4.6	4.6	4.4	0	+ 0.2
Local	5.7	5.7	5.5	0	+ 0.2

EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TRENDS

Total nonagricultural employment in the Alexandria MSA was estimated at 46,900 for the current month. This estimate was unchanged from last month, and 400 more than May, 1990.

Goods producing employment was estimated at 6,700 for May. This estimate was 100 less than last month, as a result of a decrease in durable goods manufacturing. Compared to May of last year, this figure increased by 200, with the largest increase centered in the construction industry.

Service producing employment for the current month was estimated at 40,200. This estimate was 100 more than April, as a result of an increase in retail trade. Compared to May of last year, service producing employment increased by 200, with the largest increase centered in state and local government.

BATON ROUGE AREA
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
(In Thousands by Industry)

	May 1991*	Apr. 1991**	May 1990**	Net Change From Apr. 1991	Net Change From May 1990
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	238.7	239.6	238.1	- 0.9	+ 0.6
GOODS PRODUCING	51.4	51.2	51.1	+ 0.2	+ 0.3
MINING	0.9	0.9	0.9	0	0
CONSTRUCTION	27.3	27.1	27.7	+ 0.2	- 0.4
MANUFACTURING	23.2	23.2	22.5	0	+ 0.7
Durable Goods	5.4	5.4	5.3	0	+ 0.1
Nondurable Goods	17.8	17.8	17.2	0	+ 0.6
Food & Kindred Products	2.2	2.2	2.1	0	+ 0.1
Printing & Publishing	1.5	1.5	1.5	0	0
Chemicals and Petroleum Products	12.4	12.4	11.8	0	+ 0.6
Other Nondurable Goods	1.7	1.7	1.8	0	- 0.1
SERVICE PRODUCING	187.3	188.4	187.0	- 1.1	+ 0.3
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	11.3	11.3	11.1	0	+ 0.2
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	54.1	54.1	53.1	0	+ 1.0
Wholesale Trade	12.5	12.5	12.4	0	+ 0.1
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	8.7	8.7	8.7	0	0
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	3.8	3.8	3.7	0	+ 0.1
Retail Trade	41.6	41.6	40.7	0	+ 0.9
General Merchandise	6.6	6.6	6.7	0	- 0.1
FINANCE, INS. & REAL ESTATE	13.0	13.0	13.0	0	0
Banking	4.1	4.1	4.1	0	0
SERVICES	54.6	54.7	53.7	- 0.1	+ 0.9
GOVERNMENT	54.3	55.3	56.1	- 1.0	- 1.8
Federal	2.4	2.4	3.2	0	- 0.8
State and Local	51.9	52.9	52.9	- 1.0	- 1.0
State	29.2	30.2	29.9	- 1.0	- 0.7
Local	22.7	22.7	23.0	0	- 0.3

BATON ROUGE AREA

EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TRENDS

Total nonagricultural employment for the Baton Rouge MSA, at 238,700, was down 900 in May, but was up 600 over the comparable period a year ago. Seasonal losses in the service producing sector was responsible for the current downturn in employment.

Employment in the goods producing sector climbed to 51,400 in May. Construction, solely responsible for the current gain, was up 200 due to more business in general nonresidential and heavy construction. Manufacturing employment remained unchanged at 23,200, but showed a significant gain of 700 from the year-ago level.

Employment in the service producing sector moved downward to 187,300, a loss of 1,100 in May. Services employment decreased 100, with the majority of the losses occurring in business services. Total government declined to 54,300, due to seasonal reductions at state colleges and universities. All other segments remained unchanged from the prior month's estimate.

Average weekly earnings of the Baton Rouge MSA's 15,000 production workers in all manufacturing was $603.42 for May, a decrease of $5.82 from the April average. Compared to the prior year, weekly earnings were up $17.14. Average weekly hours at 44.5 decreased by 0.1 hours, while average hourly earnings at $13.56, decreased by $0.10 per hour. Less overtime worked contributed to these changes.

The total civilian labor force for the Baton Rouge MSA declined to 272,400 for the month of May. The unemployment rate for the MSA rose to 6.6 percent. Total employment decreased to 254,400, while unemployment climbed to 18,000.

The Baton Rouge Job Service Office served 1,803 individuals with new or renewal applications. A total of 2,238 referrals to current openings resulted in 129 placements during the month of May.

HOUMA - THIBODAUX AREA
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
(In Thousands by Industry)

	May 1991*	Apr. 1991**	May 1990**	Net Change From Apr. 1991	Net Change From May 1990
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	59.6	58.9	57.9	+ 0.7	+ 1.7
GOODS PRODUCING	13.6	13.5	12.9	+ 0.1	+ 0.7
MINING	5.5	5.6	5.3	- 0.1	+ 0.2
CONSTRUCTION	2.2	2.2	1.9	0	+ 0.3
MANUFACTURING	5.9	5.7	5.7	+ 0.2	+ 0.2
Durable Goods	4.2	4.2	3.8	0	+ 0.4
Nondurable Goods	1.7	1.5	1.9	+ 0.2	- 0.2
SERVICE PRODUCING	46.0	45.4	45.0	+ 0.6	+ 1.0
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	6.8	6.6	6.6	+ 0.2	+ 0.2
Water Transportation	4.2	4.1	4.2	+ 0.1	0
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	14.9	14.7	14.5	+ 0.2	+ 0.4
Wholesale Trade	3.0	2.9	3.0	+ 0.1	0
Retail Trade	11.9	11.8	11.5	+ 0.1	+ 0.4
General Mdse. & App. & Acc.	2.3	2.3	2.2	0	+ 0.1
FINANCE, INS. & REAL ESTATE	2.1	2.1	2.1	0	0
SERVICES	11.0	11.0	10.6	0	+ 0.4
GOVERNMENT	11.2	11.0	11.2	+ 0.2	0
Federal	0.4	0.4	0.6	0	- 0.2
State and Local	10.8	10.6	10.6	+ 0.2	+ 0.2
State	3.3	3.2	3.1	+ 0.1	+ 0.2
Local	7.5	7.4	7.5	+ 0.1	0

EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TRENDS

Total nonagricultural employment in the Houma-Thibodaux MSA increased to 59,600, a level 700 above April. The gain was largely in service producing employment. Total nonagricultural employment stood at a level 1,700 above the year-ago figure.

Goods producing employment increased to 13,600, up 100 from April, and 700 above the May, 1990 figure. In manufacturing, the nondurable goods segment increased due to seasonal factors. Mining tapered off slightly, while construction held steady.

Service producing employment displayed an overall increase of 600. Transportation, communications, and public utilities was boosted by small seasonal gains. Wholesale trade added workers mostly in the nondurable goods segment. Retail trade reflected a small increase spread through several industries. Government employment rose due to state educational services and summer workers being hired at the local government level.

Estimated unemployment was 4,600 in May. Unemployment presently comprises 6.4 percent of the civilian labor force for the Houma-Thibodaux MSA. Recipients of regular unemployment benefits totaled 683.

LAFAYETTE AREA
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
(In Thousands by Industry)

	May 1991*	Apr. 1991**	May 1990**	Net Change From Apr. 1991	Net Change From May 1990
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	100.2	100.5	96.9	- 0.3	+ 3.3
GOODS PRODUCING	26.7	26.8	25.6	- 0.1	+ 1.1
MINING	12.7	12.7	12.4	0	+ 0.3
CONSTRUCTION	4.6	4.7	4.2	- 0.1	+ 0.4
MANUFACTURING	9.4	9.4	9.0	0	+ 0.4
Durable Goods	2.9	2.9	2.5	0	+ 0.4
Nondurable Goods	6.5	6.5	6.5	0	0
SERVICE PRODUCING	73.5	73.7	71.3	- 0.2	+ 2.2
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	7.1	7.2	6.8	- 0.1	+ 0.3
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	25.7	25.9	25.0	- 0.2	+ 0.7
Wholesale Trade	6.2	6.3	6.1	- 0.1	+ 0.1
Retail Trade	19.5	19.6	18.9	- 0.1	+ 0.6
General Merchandise	2.5	2.5	2.6	0	- 0.1
FINANCE, INS. & REAL ESTATE	3.4	3.4	3.3	0	+ 0.1
Banking	1.2	1.2	1.2	0	0
SERVICES	23.2	23.2	22.4	0	+ 0.8
GOVERNMENT	14.1	14.0	13.8	+ 0.1	+ 0.3
Federal	1.0	0.9	1.3	+ 0.1	- 0.3
State and Local	13.1	13.1	12.5	0	+ 0.6
State	5.3	5.3	4.9	0	+ 0.4
Local	7.8	7.8	7.6	0	+ 0.2

EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TRENDS

Total nonagricultural employment in the Lafayette MSA was estimated at 100,200, a decrease of 300 from the April revised estimate of 100,500.

Goods producing employment was estimated at 26,700 in May. This was 100 below last month's estimate, with construction causing the decline in the goods producing sector. The mining and manufacturing sectors were unchanged from last month, but compared to a year ago, these two sectors have shown an estimated total employment growth of 700 jobs.

Service producing employment was estimated at 73,500, a decrease of 200 from the April revised estimate of 73,700. Transportation, communications, and public utilities was down by 100, with the drop centered in the transportation industry. Trade dropped by 200 due to wholesale trade-durable goods and eating and drinking places. Government rose by 100, with federal government showing the increase.

LAKE CHARLES AREA
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
(In Thousands by Industry)

	May 1991*	Apr. 1991**	May 1990**	Net Change From Apr. 1991	Net Change From May 1990
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	69.0	69.2	68.2	- 0.2	+ 0.8
GOODS PRODUCING	19.7	20.5	20.1	- 0.8	- 0.4
MINING	1.3	1.3	1.3	0	0
CONSTRUCTION	7.6	8.0	7.0	- 0.4	+ 0.6
MANUFACTURING	10.8	11.2	11.8	- 0.4	- 1.0
Durable Goods	2.0	2.4	3.1	- 0.4	- 1.1
Nondurable Goods	8.8	8.8	8.7	0	+ 0.1
Chemical & Petro Products	8.0	8.0	8.0	0	0
SERVICE PRODUCING	49.3	48.7	48.1	+ 0.6	+ 1.2
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	4.5	4.4	4.1	+ 0.1	+ 0.4
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	15.8	15.5	15.7	+ 0.3	+ 0.1
Wholesale Trade	3.5	3.5	3.3	0	+ 0.2
Retail Trade	12.3	12.0	12.4	+ 0.3	- 0.1
FINANCE, INS. & REAL ESTATE	2.7	2.6	2.7	+ 0.1	0
SERVICES	15.0	14.9	14.5	+ 0.1	+ 0.5
GOVERNMENT	11.3	11.3	11.1	0	+ 0.2
Federal	0.6	0.6	0.7	0	- 0.1
State and Local	10.7	10.7	10.4	0	+ 0.3
State	3.4	3.4	3.3	0	+ 0.1
Local	7.3	7.3	7.1	0	+ 0.2

EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TRENDS

Total nonagricultural employment in the Lake Charles MSA was estimated at 69,000, a decrease of 200 from the April, 1991 revised estimate.

Goods producing employment was estimated at 19,700, a drop of 800 from the prior month. Construction was off by 400 in May due primarily to poor weather conditions during the month. Manufacturing declined by 400 due mostly to a major employer shutting down operations in the MSA.

Service producing employment was estimated at 49,300, a gain of 600 from the April revised estimate. Trade was up by 300 with the increase in retail trade. Transportation, communications, and public utilities, services, and finance, insurance, and real estate all showed an increase of 100 each.

MONROE AREA
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
(In Thousands by Industry)

	May 1991*	Apr. 1991**	May 1990**	Net Change From Apr. 1991	Net Change From May 1990
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	58.7	58.5	59.7	+ 0.2	- 1.0
GOODS PRODUCING	10.8	10.8	10.8	0	0
MINING	0.3	0.3	0.4	0	- 0.1
CONSTRUCTION	2.6	2.6	2.7	0	- 0.1
MANUFACTURING	7.9	7.9	7.7	0	+ 0.2
Durable Goods	2.0	2.0	2.0	0	0
Nondurable Goods	5.9	5.9	5.7	0	+ 0.2
Food & Kindred Products	0.8	0.8	0.8	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	5.1	5.1	4.9	0	+ 0.2
SERVICE PRODUCING	47.9	47.7	48.9	+ 0.2	- 1.0
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	3.1	3.0	3.4	+ 0.1	- 0.3
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	14.7	14.7	15.0	0	- 0.3
Wholesale Trade	3.6	3.6	3.8	0	- 0.2
Retail Trade	11.1	11.1	11.2	0	- 0.1
General Mdse. & App. & Acc.	2.5	2.5	2.6	0	- 0.1
Eating & Drinking Places	3.3	3.2	3.3	+ 0.1	0
FINANCE, INS. & REAL ESTATE	4.5	4.4	4.3	+ 0.1	+ 0.2
Banking	1.8	1.7	1.9	+ 0.1	+ 0.2
SERVICES	13.6	13.5	13.4	+ 0.1	+ 0.2
GOVERNMENT	12.0	12.1	12.8	- 0.1	- 0.8
Federal	0.7	0.7	0.9	0	- 0.2
State and Local	11.3	11.4	11.9	- 0.1	- 0.6
State	5.0	5.2	5.0	- 0.2	0
Local	6.3	6.2	6.9	+ 0.1	- 0.6

EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TRENDS

Total nonagricultural employment in the Monroe MSA was estimated at 58,700 during May. This estimate was unchanged from April, 1991, and was 1,000 less than the May, 1990 estimate.

Goods producing employment for May was estimated at 10,800. This was the same as April, 1991 and May, 1990. Mining and construction decreased by 100 each as manufacturing increased by 200 for the same period one year ago.

Service producing employment was estimated at 47,900 during May. Gains of 100 each occurred in transportation, communications, and public utilities, finance, insurance, and real estate and services. The only monthly loss was in government. Trade was unchanged for the current month.

NEW ORLEANS AREA
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
(In Thousands by Industry)

	May 1991*	Apr. 1991**	May 1990**	Net Change From Apr. 1991	Net Change From May 1990
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	544.1	542.5	536.0	+ 1.6	+ 8.1
GOODS PRODUCING	83.6	83.6	80.9	0	+ 2.7
MINING	14.2	14.3	13.7	- 0.1	+ 0.5
Oil & Gas Extraction	13.9	14.0	13.3	- 0.1	+ 0.6
CONSTRUCTION	23.8	24.3	23.2	- 0.5	+ 0.6
MANUFACTURING	45.6	45.0	44.0	+ 0.6	+ 1.6
Durable Goods	24.2	23.9	23.2	+ 0.3	+ 1.0
Lumber and Wood Products	0.5	0.5	0.6	0	- 0.1
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	1.3	1.3	1.4	0	- 0.1
Fabricated Metal Products	2.3	2.2	2.3	+ 0.1	0
Machinery Inc. Electrical	3.5	3.4	3.2	+ 0.1	+ 0.3
Transportation Equipment	14.8	14.7	13.8	+ 0.1	+ 1.0
Ship & Boatbuilding & Repairing	11.4	11.3	10.2	+ 0.1	+ 1.2
Other Durable Goods	1.8	1.8	1.9	0	- 0.1
Nondurable Goods	21.4	21.1	20.8	+ 0.3	+ 0.6
Food & Kindred Products	5.5	5.4	5.7	+ 0.1	- 0.2
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2.2	2.1	1.9	+ 0.1	+ 0.3
Printing & Publishing	3.7	3.7	3.7	0	0
Chemicals and Allied Products	5.1	5.1	4.9	0	+ 0.2
Petroleum & Coal Products	3.8	3.7	3.5	+ 0.1	+ 0.3
Other Nondurable Goods	1.1	1.1	1.1	0	0
SERVICE PRODUCING	460.5	458.9	455.1	+ 1.6	+ 5.4
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	44.3	44.1	43.8	+ 0.2	+ 0.5
Railroad Transportation	1.3	1.3	1.3	0	0
Trucking and Warehousing	8.1	8.2	8.3	- 0.1	- 0.2
Water Transportation	13.6	13.3	13.1	+ 0.3	+ 0.5
Comm. & Public Util.	13.4	13.4	13.1	0	+ 0.3
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	132.6	132.0	132.6	+ 0.6	0
Wholesale Trade	30.8	30.6	31.0	+ 0.2	- 0.2
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	17.4	17.4	17.6	0	- 0.2
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	13.4	13.2	13.4	+ 0.2	0
Retail Trade	101.8	101.4	101.6	+ 0.4	+ 0.2
General Merchandise	12.5	12.4	12.3	+ 0.1	+ 0.2
Food Stores	20.0	20.0	20.1	0	- 0.1
Eating & Drinking Places	36.3	36.1	35.8	+ 0.2	+ 0.5
FINANCE, INS. & REAL ESTATE	31.4	31.3	31.8	+ 0.1	- 0.4
Banking	10.1	10.2	10.3	- 0.1	- 0.2
SERVICES	161.0	160.4	155.3	+ 0.6	+ 5.7
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	14.6	14.4	14.6	+ 0.2	0
Health Services	42.2	42.0	40.3	+ 0.2	+ 1.9
Educational Services	19.1	19.3	18.2	- 0.2	+ 0.9
GOVERNMENT	91.2	91.1	91.6	+ 0.1	- 0.4
Federal	16.1	16.1	17.9	0	- 1.8
State and Local	75.1	75.0	73.7	+ 0.1	+ 1.4
State	20.4	20.4	20.1	0	+ 0.3
Local	54.7	54.6	53.6	+ 0.1	+ 1.1

NEW ORLEANS AREA

EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TRENDS

Total nonagricultural employment for the New Orleans MSA for May was estimated at 544,100, increasing 1,600 from the previous month. Most industry divisions showed an increase over the month.

Goods producing employment stood at 83,600, the same level as April, but was 2,700 over the May, 1990 figure. Manufacturing employment benefitted from more business in fabricated metal products, machinery, ship and boat building and repairing, apparel and other textile products, and petroleum and coal products. Food and kindred products increased due to seasonal factors. Mining employment dropped by 100 employees. Construction employment moved down as heavy rainfall and flooding hindered ongoing projects and the start of new ones.

The service producing segment added 1,600 workers over the month. Transportation, communications, and public utilities benefitted from an increase in water transportation. Trade showed moderate gains spread throughout the industry. Finance, insurance, and real estate edged up. Services moved up mostly in business services and the hotel and motel industry. Government employment showed a small increase in the local government segment.

Production workers in the area earned an average of $475.78 per week, up $16.17 from last month's average. Average weekly hours were 41.3, up 0.3 hours from the previous month. Average hourly earnings were $11.52, up $0.31 from April and $0.34 over May of last year.

Estimated unemployment was 35,100 for May. The unemployment rate registered 6.0 percent. Recipients of regular unemployment benefits totaled 6,950.

SHREVEPORT AREA
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
(In Thousands by Industry)

	May 1991*	Apr. 1991**	May 1990**	Net Change From Apr. 1991	Net Change From May 1990
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	134.1	133.4	134.0	+ 0.7	+ 0.1
GOODS PRODUCING	26.3	26.5	26.6	- 0.2	- 0.3
MINING	3.1	3.1	3.0	0	+ 0.1
CONSTRUCTION	6.1	6.0	6.0	+ 0.1	+ 0.1
MANUFACTURING	17.1	17.4	17.6	- 0.3	- 0.5
Durable Goods	11.7	12.0	12.0	- 0.3	- 0.3
Lumber and Wood Products	0.4	0.4	0.4	0	0
Primary and Fabricated Metals	1.9	1.9	2.0	0	- 0.1
Machinery, Inc. Electrical	4.8	5.1	5.0	- 0.3	- 0.2
Other Durable Goods	4.6	4.6	4.6	0	0
Nondurable Goods	5.4	5.4	5.6	0	- 0.2
Food & Kindred Products	0.7	0.7	0.8	0	- 0.1
Printing & Publishing	1.3	1.3	1.5	0	- 0.2
Chemicals & Petroleum Products	1.6	1.6	1.5	0	+ 0.1
Other Nondurable Goods	1.8	1.8	1.8	0	0
SERVICE PRODUCING	107.8	106.9	107.4	+ 0.9	+ 0.4
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	8.1	8.2	8.1	- 0.1	0
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	32.0	32.2	31.9	- 0.2	+ 0.1
Wholesale Trade	7.8	7.9	7.9	- 0.1	- 0.1
Retail Trade	24.2	24.3	24.0	- 0.1	+ 0.2
FINANCE, INS. & REAL ESTATE	6.6	6.5	6.4	+ 0.1	+ 0.2
SERVICES	34.4	33.2	33.8	+ 1.2	+ 0.6
GOVERNMENT	26.7	26.8	27.2	- 0.1	- 0.5
Federal	4.9	4.9	5.3	0	- 0.4
State and Local	21.8	21.9	21.9	- 0.1	- 0.1
State	6.6	6.7	6.8	- 0.1	- 0.2
Local	15.2	15.2	15.1	0	+ 0.1

SHREVEPORT AREA

EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TRENDS

Total nonagricultural wage and salary employment in the Shreveport MSA in May was estimated at 134,100, an increase from the April revised total of 133,400. Service producing jobs rose to 107,800 in May, showing an over-the-month gain of 900. Goods producing jobs dropped to 26,300, down 200 from the April revised figure.

The goods producing job loss was centered in durable goods manufacturing. Total manufacturing employment decreased to 17,100, down from 17,400 in April and 17,600 one year ago. Employment in construction increased to 6,100, up slightly from the revised estimate of 6,000 in April.

Service producing employment increased to 107,800, a gain of 900 jobs from April to May and 400 more jobs than in May, 1990. The amusement and recreation sector of services showed the most significant increase with the start of the 1991 racing season. Finance, insurance, and real estate rose to 6,600, up slightly from 6,500 in April. There were small over-the-month job losses in transportation, communications, and public utilities, trade, and government.

An estimated 12,800 production workers in manufacturing in the Shreveport MSA had average weekly earnings of $533.45, up $12.87 from the previous month. The average weekly hours of 40.2 were up 0.4 hours from last month, while average hourly earnings rose to $13.27, slightly above the $13.08 average in April.

The Shreveport MSA had a civilian labor force estimated at 153,100 in May, with 142,700 employed and 10,400 unemployed. The unemployment rate for this area was 6.8 percent. The average unemployment rate for the last three months (March, April, and May) was 7.1 percent, compared to 6.3 percent for the same period last year.

INSURED UNEMPLOYED BY INDUSTRY AND OCCUPATION GROUP FOR THE WEEK INCLUDING THE 19TH OF FEBRUARY 1991

INDUSTRY	LOUISIANA			ALEXANDRIA AREA			BATON ROUGE AREA		
	TOTAL	WHITE	NON-WHITE	TOTAL	WHITE	NON-WHITE	TOTAL	WHITE	NON-WHITE
Mining (10-14)	1,555	1,285	270	26	25	1	23	18	5
Contract Construction (15-17)	8,622	5,856	2,766	291	216	75	1,846	1,319	527
Manufacturing (20-39)	5,165	2,351	2,814	79	54	25	239	131	108
Trans., Comm., & Utilities (40-49)	1,648	946	702	38	25	13	210	91	119
Wholesale Trade (50-51)	1,105	712	393	53	27	26	148	86	62
Retail Trade (52-59)	4,085	2,232	1,853	124	80	44	432	203	229
Fin., Ins., & Real Estate (60-67)	1,082	788	294	36	33	3	147	105	42
Services & Misc. (70-89 & 01-09)	6,714	3,674	3,040	202	122	80	753	410	343
Public Administration (91-97)	876	430	446	47	30	17	71	38	33
All Others	75	38	37	1	1	0	25	12	13
Totals	30,927	18,312	12,615	897	613	284	3,894	2,413	1,481

OCCUPATIONS									
Professional, Tech., & Managerial	3,509	2,737	772	98	81	17	489	374	115
Clerical and Sales	6,277	4,334	1,943	181	139	42	787	510	277
Services Occupations	2,981	907	2,074	98	36	62	243	67	176
Agri., Fishing, Forestry & Related Occ.	464	165	299	23	19	4	11	4	7
Processing Occupations	747	301	446	6	5	1	35	20	15
Machine Trades	1,544	975	569	51	36	15	150	110	40
Benchwork Occupations	1,295	495	800	22	8	14	53	35	18
Structural Work Occupations	8,936	5,733	3,203	293	214	79	1,717	1,118	599
Miscellaneous Occupations	5,174	2,665	2,509	125	75	50	409	175	234
Totals	30,927	18,312	12,615	897	613	284	3,894	2,413	1,481

INSURED UNEMPLOYED BY INDUSTRY AND OCCUPATION GROUP FOR THE WEEK INCLUDING THE 19TH OF FEBRUARY 1991

	HOUMA-THIBODAUX AREA			LAFAYETTE AREA			LAKE CHARLES AREA		
INDUSTRY	TOTAL	WHITE	NON-WHITE	TOTAL	WHITE	NON-WHITE	TOTAL	WHITE	NON-WHITE
Mining (10-14)	93	74	19	231	186	45	30	27	3
Contract Construction (15-17)	149	136	13	190	118	72	470	360	110
Manufacturing (20-39)	98	54	44	167	76	91	344	183	161
Trans., Comm., & Utilities (40-49)	57	46	11	37	28	9	67	43	24
Wholesale Trade (50-51)	44	35	9	49	28	21	31	24	7
Retail Trade (52-59)	112	76	36	205	94	111	122	87	35
Fin., Ins., & Real Estate (60-67)	18	17	1	46	39	7	29	21	8
Services & Misc. (70-89 & 01-09)	178	114	64	314	208	106	197	140	57
Public Administration (91-97)	17	10	7	28	17	11	21	15	6
All Others	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	766	562	204	1,267	794	473	1,311	900	411
OCCUPATIONS									
Professional, Tech., & Managerial	105	93	12	223	175	48	140	122	18
Clerical and Sales	141	111	30	300	227	73	261	198	63
Services Occupations	83	42	41	132	36	96	72	29	43
Agri., Fishing, Forestry & Related Occ.	13	6	7	4	3	1	22	11	11
Processing Occupations	31	12	19	50	20	30	41	18	23
Machine Trades	35	32	3	46	34	12	129	77	52
Benchwork Occupations	13	12	1	57	24	33	34	23	11
Structural Work Occupations	195	162	33	226	138	88	474	339	135
Miscellaneous Occupations	150	92	58	229	137	92	138	83	55
Totals	766	562	204	1,267	794	473	1,311	900	411

INSURED UNEMPLOYED BY INDUSTRY AND OCCUPATION GROUP FOR THE WEEK INCLUDING THE 19TH OF FEBRUARY 1991

INDUSTRY	MONROE AREA			NEW ORLEANS AREA			SHREVEPORT AREA		
	TOTAL	WHITE	NON-WHITE	TOTAL	WHITE	NON-WHITE	TOTAL	WHITE	NON-WHITE
Mining (10-14)	25	25	0	107	74	33	135	102	33
Contract Construction (15-17)	232	195	37	1,570	953	617	298	177	121
Manufacturing (20-39)	118	65	53	949	388	561	417	187	230
Trans., Comm., & Utilities (40-49)	27	22	5	670	343	327	96	53	43
Wholesale Trade (50-51)	8	5	3	363	230	133	119	77	42
Retail Trade (52-59)	169	99	70	1,405	741	664	376	191	185
Fin., Ins., & Real Estate (60-67)	38	30	8	543	366	177	89	71	18
Services & Misc. (70-89 & 01-09)	341	190	151	2,251	1,215	1,036	563	282	281
Public Administration (91-97)	31	13	18	216	80	136	77	33	44
All Others	1	1	0	18	10	8	2	2	0
Totals	990	645	345	8,092	4,400	3,692	2,172	1,175	997

OCCUPATIONS									
Professional, Tech., & Managerial	132	108	24	1,407	1,045	362	249	207	42
Clerical and Sales	258	181	77	2,176	1,395	781	557	378	179
Services Occupations	137	45	92	1,025	285	740	306	65	241
Agri., Fishing, Forestry & Related Occ.	4	3	1	51	19	32	30	6	24
Processing Occupations	18	14	4	102	38	64	18	3	15
Machine Trades	47	34	13	317	211	106	133	70	63
Benchwork Occupations	19	11	8	364	47	317	133	61	72
Structural Work Occupations	213	166	47	1,704	977	727	411	228	183
Miscellaneous Occupations	162	83	79	946	383	563	335	157	178
Totals	990	645	345	8,092	4,400	3,692	2,172	1,175	997

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